

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 1999-259-C - ORDER NO. 1999-628

SEPTEMBER 3, 1999

IN RE: Petition of ITC^DeltaCom Communications,) ORDER GRANTING ✓WR
Inc. for Arbitration of an Interconnection with) MOTION TO FILE
BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. Pursuant) EXHIBITS UNDER SEAL
to the Telecommunications Act of 1996.)

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Carolina") on the "Motion to File Exhibits Under Seal" filed by ITC^DeltaCom Communications, Inc. ("ITC^DeltaCom").

ITC^DeltaCom states that it is a party in the instant docket and that contemporaneous with this Motion it is filing its prefiled direct testimony in this matter. According to the Motion, certain exhibits to the prefiled testimony, specifically Exhibits TAH-1, TAH-2, and TAH-3 to the prefiled testimony of witness Hyde and Exhibit MT-2 to the prefiled testimony of witness Thomas, are being filed under seal. ITC^DeltaCom offers as justification for filing the exhibits under seal that the exhibits contain proprietary information of ITC^DeltaCom, including personal and confidential information concerning its customers. ITC^DeltaCom requests that the Commission accept the exhibits described for filing under seal and that the Commission limit access to these exhibits to the Commission and Staff and to others only upon the execution of an appropriate confidentiality agreement.

Upon consideration of this matter, the Commission finds that ITC^DeltaCom has presented sufficient cause to warrant filing the enumerated exhibits under seal.

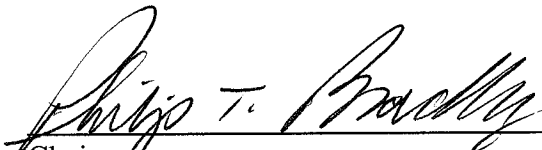
ITC^DeltaCom has offered as justification that the exhibits enumerated contain personal and confidential information of customers of ITC^DeltaCom. The Commission finds that this stated reason is sufficient to accept the exhibits under seal for filing purposes.

However, the Commission's ruling herein only goes to accepting the exhibits for filing purposes. The confidentiality of the exhibits or the information contained in the exhibits is not being considered at this time. This Order does not, and shall not be construed to, confer confidentiality to the exhibits or information contained in the exhibits upon a proper request for the information. Any request for release of the exhibits or information contained in the exhibits will be handled at the time such request is received by the Commission.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:


Chairman

ATTEST:


Executive Director

(SEAL)